Amendments to the Specification

- 1) Please insert the following paragraph beginning at page 1, line 3:
 - This application claims the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 (a) and (b) 1 to French Application No. 0212139, filed July 1, 2002, the entire contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.
- Please insert the following subtitle at page 1, below the above-referenced paragraph:

Background

- Please insert the following subtitle at page 2 line 24:
 Summary
- 4) Please delete the paragraph on page 3, starting at line 25 and ending at line 34.
- 5) Please insert the following subtitle and paragraph on page 3 at line 35;

Brief Description of the Drawings

For a further understanding of the nature and objects for the present invention, reference should be made to the following detailed description, taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings, in which like elements are given the same or analogous reference numbers and wherein:

- Figure 1 illustrates a partial perspective view of a plate-type heat exchanger according to the invention, just two dividing plates and one fin arranged in the passage they define between them being depicted; and
- Figure 2 illustrates a partial perspective view similar to Figure 1 but according to an alternative form of the embodiment of the invention.
- 6) Please insert the following subtitle after the above replacement paragraph:

 Description of Preferred Embodiments
- 7) Please insert the following paragraph on page 6 following the paragraph ending at line 5:

It will be understood that many additional changes in the details, materials, steps and arrangement of parts, which have been herein described in order to explain the nature of the invention, may be made by those skilled in the art within the principle and scope of the invention as expressed in the appended claims.

Thus, the present invention is not intended to be limited to the specific embodiments in the examples given above.

8) Please replace the subtitle at page 7, line 1, with the following text: **CLAIMS** What is claimed is: